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In re Patent Application of:
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For: CMOS IMAGER AND METHOD OF
FORMATION

Examiner: D. Kang

COMMENTS ON EXAMINER'S
STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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Commissioner for Patents
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Dear Sir:

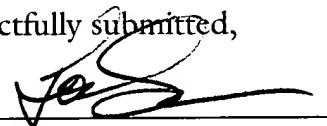
Applicant agrees with the Examiner's statement of reasons for allowance to the extent that allowed claims 1-79, 113-131 and 141-152 recite the noted limitations which are not taught or suggested by the prior art of record. Applicant also notes that claims 1-79, 113-131 and 141-152 contain additional limitations which, in combination with the claimed limitations quoted in the Examiner's stated reasons for allowance, provide additional reasons for allowance.

Applicant agrees that claims 1-79, 113-131 and 141-152 are allowable as defining subject matter which is not anticipated by, or rendered obvious from, the references of record.

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Respectfully submitted,

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